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Grosso, Harry A.**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated December 15, 2005, in the above identified application, to which the period for response will expire on March 15, 2006. Please amend the above identified application as follows: